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CONVEYOR BELT SYSTEM AND OVEN

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of March 21, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

B' --1. (amended) Conveyor belt system (1) for transporting products through a bath of liquid in an oven (2), comprising a feed belt (3), accommodated in a base frame (4), and a top belt (5), located above the feed belt (3) and accommodated in an auxiliary frame (6), for transporting the products through the bath of liquid between the top belt (5) and the feed belt (3), as well an adjustable support mechanism (14, 15) for adjusting the distance between the feed belt (3) and top belt (5), which support mechanism (14, 15) comprises further adjustable